UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

Matthew S. Harrington, et al.,)	
Plaintiffs,)	
)	Case No. 22 CV 50007
v.)	
)	Judge Iain D. Johnston
Von Baron Legal Team,)	
Defendant.)	

ORDER

Before the Court is a Report and Recommendation [32] from Judge Schneider that the plaintiff's motion for a default judgment [18] be granted and that damages be awarded in the amount of \$18,227.40. After conducting an evidentiary hearing at which the defendant did not appear, Judge Schneider concluded that the plaintiffs' damages consisted of the money the plaintiffs paid to hire the defendant (\$3,890.94), the approximate amount of late fees they incurred (\$909.06), emotional damages (\$5,000), plus costs (\$539.90) and reasonable attorneys' fees (\$7,887.50) as provided under 815 ILCS 505/10a(c). Judge Schneider gave the parties to 9/6/2022 for any objection to her Report and Recommendation, but none was filed. In light of Judge Schneider's well-reasoned decision, the Court accepts her Report and Recommendation [32], grants the plaintiffs' motion for a default judgment [18], and awards the plaintiffs damages in the total amount of \$18,227.40.

Date: September 14, 2022 By:

Iain D. Johnston

United States District Judge